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## Out of College into the World.

Since Mr. Charles Francis Adams opened fire on the college curriculum, with particular reference to time lost in studying a language which few ever learn to read with facility—since Mr. Adams had the courage to state plainly some things which every college-bred man knows to be truths, he has been made the object of a running fire of criticism. This was to have been expected, and it is very fortunate that these truths have been disclosed by a man whom the critics regard as a fœman worthy of their steel.

The last public appearance of Lord Chief Justice Coleridge in this country was at Yale College, which occasion the distinguished visitor embraced to plant himself firmly on the platform of the old, as opposed to Mr. Adams' newer, order of college education. In the address of welcome President Porter gave Lord Coleridge the cue: "We profess to be true to the old foundations, which are laid in classical study, and to keep our eyes and our windows open in every direction toward all that science can do in its progressive march." From this Lord Coleridge jumped almost at once to the defense of his opinions. Having given, at the time of its delivery, some extracts from the address of Mr. Adams, and that those of our readers who are interested in the subject may have the benefit of Lord Coleridge's points, this much is taken from the report:

"We know in England, that in Yale more than in any other place, the old standards of curriculum is maintained, the old standards are referred to, the old classical curriculum is isolated upon and defended. I learned to-day for the first time that which would do me more harm than good. I learned that a man in the house of the United States had committed himself to an attack upon that curriculum and has rather suggested that it is inferior to a possible success in professional life."

"I have done many foolish things in my life and wasted many hours of precious time; but one thing I have done, which I would do over again, and the house which I have spent most profitably, and the knowledge thus gained I have found the most useful, and practically useful. From the time I left Oxford I have made it a religion, as far as I could, never to let a day pass without reading some Latin and Greek, and I can tell you that my course may be deemed a successful one. I deliberately assert, maintain and believe that what little success has been granted to me in life has been materially due to my constant study of the classics, which it has been my delight and privilege all my life to persevere in."

"Statement, method, arrangement, however men may struggle against them, have an influence upon them, and public men, however they may dislike it, are forced to admit that, conditions being equal, the man who has mastered anything best, who has an argument more closely, who can give the richest and most felicitous illustrations, and who can command some kind of beauty of diction, will have the advantage over his contemporaries. And at the bar or in the Senate anything better than the work of other men, it has almost every case, been the result of his education. The man who has influenced his contemporaries the most, is generally speaking, the man of the highest education, and I do not hesitate to say that the highest education, if you can get it, is the education to be found in those magnificent writers, who as writers, as masters of style, as conversationalists, have never been equalled in the world."

"I have put my defense of the studies, which I understand you advocate, upon a low practical ground, but I do not wish it to be supposed that I defend it upon a low practical ground alone. I desire to put it on a higher ground, and I desire to say that, very, I say that God has given us hearts, minds and intellects as well as bodies, and that is just so much our duty to cultivate and do the best we can with the bodies he has given us. It is our duty then, if we can, to commune with the greatest thoughts of the greatest men in all times, and he will be the best man in the end of his life who has made himself familiar with the thoughts of the greatest men of Greece and Rome, who both in thought and in language have been unparalleled in the world."

Beyond question familiarity with the ancient classics has been a source of pleasure and professional profit to Lord Coleridge, at the bar and on the bench. Half an hour with Virgil or Ovid or Tacitus or Homer will be a pleasure to a man of literary tastes who can be said to read either; but though there may be profit in the way of study, of mental discipline, of a growth of vocabulary and an increasing facility of expression, a man who sits down with his Homer before him, his lexicon in one hand and his grammar in the other cannot be said to be diverting his mind with an enjoyable pastime. The work of translating is not the pleasure of reading, and of the man who study Greek at college a small per centage will learn to read it fluently; there will be fewer to turn to it every day through a long and busy life as Lord Coleridge has done."

The study of the classics is not to be undervalued, for it has its great worth. Neither should its value be overestimated, for the hard-headed, money-seeking world puts a value on it in spite of the schools. The greater part of our young men are not going to be lawyers and judges, doctors and preachers. For some of them, indeed the most, Greek will but take the time which might better be given to some other studies. Intelligent men are needed on the farm, in the workshop, in commercial life, but to these—and this is Mr. Adams' leading idea—Greek is not indispensable, something else is nearly so, and that the great colleges ought to give to those who desire it, in place of Greek. The young man who hopes to take a responsible place in one of our iron mills will not be embarrassed in his career because he knows little or nothing of Greek, but he can not know too much about the metal with which he is to deal."

Gentlemen who, like Lord Coleridge, have achieved their career, may mourn the tendency of the time, but this is a severely practical age. Science is being brought more and more to play a part in everyday affairs, and the world needs men who know how to direct its great practical concerns, though a small part of the work be given to any one—men who can think with the head and do with the hands—and it will not hold him to a strict account who is "rusty" on his Latin and finds the Anabasis "all Greek" to him. The college ought to give the student the best opportunity to fit himself for what he hopes to be and to do."

## PERSONAL.

Senator May of Texas, declares for Mr. Thurman in 1884.

Mr. Nye, the *Bombardier* humorist, has given up the postoffice at Laramie.

John Bright states that the report that he intends to visit America this winter is untrue. He has no intention of coming to this country.

Lieutenant Danenhower's lecture tour has netted him \$7,000. The sight of one of his eyes is utterly destroyed. His other eye is strong and he hopes to be ordered to sea in the spring.

Mrs. Southworth, story writer, still lives in Washington, where she was a school teacher thirty-five years ago. Her home "Prospect Cottage," is embowered in honeysuckles, and occupies a commanding position, overlooking the city.

Lord Coleridge says that his Washington visit convinced him that "the people here really govern, while rulers are only public servants. I think Washington shows another thing, too—that the American in a man and general, unlike any other man in the world."

Luther Standing Bear, son of the famous Sioux chief whose name he bears, has gone from the Carlisle, Penn., Indian school back to his home in Dakota, to meet some Indian children as pupils in the school. He is now nineteen years old and has been at the school four years. He will return there soon and finish learning his trade—that of tinner and plumber.

Mr. John Wamaker has been President of the Philadelphia Young Men's Christian Association for the past thirteen years, during which time he has contributed to the funds of the institution about \$100,000. Feeling that other duties now demand his time and attention, he has resigned all official connection with the association. He has, however, undertaken to secure funds for the enlargement of the association library, and has already raised one thousand dollars for that object.

General Grant denies that he will live in Washington this winter. Said he: "There is no truth in the report. I shall certainly remain in New York for the present. My children are in this city, and I naturally prefer to be near them. I have never stayed longer than one year in one place to form any local attachments. Still, it has often been my desire since the close of the war to settle in Washington. I have said so to friends, hence, doubtless, the report you refer to. My son, U. S. Grant, was talking of buying a lot in Washington, but has, I believe, given up the idea. All the same I may move to Washington some day."

## Heavy Draft Horses.

In trials at the Illinois Industrial University it was found that a pair of more than ordinarily powerful mares, the *Indiana* and *Ohio*, weighing about 1,250 pounds, the former weighing about 1,250 pounds, the latter about 1,000 and 1,025 pounds each. This was when the bands were so tightened that the straightening of the traces gave the horses the heaviest of their own weight. With the hand, allowing the traces to rise naturally, each horse drew 300 pounds. These horses were both well shod. Another horse of about the same apparent strength as these, but unshod, could draw the traces of the same weight. In each case the horse was hitched to the end of a rope about 150 feet long, having the benefit of the stretching of the rope as a relief from a "dead pull." The maximum strength seemed to be exerted at each trial, all the horses being accustomed to heavy pulling.

## A Cloud of Mystery.

A Bourbon committee has investigated the charges against the Bourbon Lunatic Asylum officials and report "All right." This is one of the most ridiculous farces that ever was enacted before an intelligent public. Every man in the institution as an officer is a Bourbon, and every member of the committee is a Bourbon. If everything is wrong we shall not know. We are in the dark. If everything were right there would be no hesitancy or hindrance in the way of access. A cloud of mystery hangs over the management of the Asylum.

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